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AS REQUESTED REFTEL, EMBOFF OBTAINED INFORMATION ON IRAQI URANIUM FIND FROM OFFICIAL WITH BELGIAN ENGINEERING FIRM SYBETRA. PROJECT CHIEF F. MOTTE TOLD US THAT URANIUM HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED TWO YEARS AGO IN PHOSPHATE ORES (URANIUM IS CUSTOMARILY FOUND IN SUCH DEPOSITS). CONTENTS WERE 32 PPM (PARTS PER MILLION) IN PHOSPHATE OR AT THE LOWER END OF COMMERCIAL SCALE. IT IS THEREFORE FEASIBLE TO EXPLOIT THESE DEPOSITS, BUT THEY ARE NOT COMMERCIALLY INTERESTING AND PROCESSES INVOLVED WOOULD BE COSTLY. MOTTE COMMENTED THAT AT FIRST IRAQIS SEEMED INTERESTED IN EXAMINING FURTHER POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS FIND BUT HAVE DONE NOTHING DURING PAST TWO YEARS. RENNER

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